

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A replica of an animal's ear to be used as a treat for a pet animal, comprising:

pig skin taken from non-ear body areas of a pig,

~~a plurality of layers of pig skin formed from a single layer of pig skin taken from the body of a pig and~~ the skin being folded to form a plurality of layers, with each layer adjacent to and in contact with adjacent layers, ~~obtain said plurality of layers formed in the shape of an animal's ear,~~

the folded skin formed into the shape of a pig's ear such that the folded skin has a bottom edge and a top opposite the bottom edge, with side edges extending from the top to the bottom edge, the bottom edge being bowed as the bottom edge extends between the side edges.

~~said plurality of layers being formed such that each layer is located adjacent to another of said layers.~~

2. (Original) The replica of claim 1, wherein:

said plurality of layers are treated with smoke to obtain a smoked taste and are sterilized.

- 3-9. (Cancelled)

10. (Currently Amended) The replica of claim 1 further comprising ~~at least three edges, with there being a fold along one of the edges.~~

11. (Previously Presented) The replica of claim 1 wherein the replica is generally flat.

12. (Cancelled)
13. (Currently Amended) The replica of claim 1 further comprising:
 ~~at least three edges, with there being a fold along one of the~~
edges,
 the replica is generally flat,
 ~~the pig skin is taken from non-ear areas of a pig.~~
14. (Previously Presented) The replica of claim 1 further comprising
four edges, with there being a fold along one of the edges.
15. (Currently Amended) The replica of claim 1 wherein ~~further~~
~~comprising a tip located opposite of a bottom edge, the bottom edge~~
~~having~~ has an exposed seam between the layers of skin.
16. (Cancelled)
17. (Previously Presented) The replica of claim 15 further comprising
peaks and valleys extending toward the bottom edge.